



**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 065, S. 2020**

**AN EXECUTIVE ORDER DECLARING THE CITY OF BAGUIO  
UNDER COMMUNITY QUARANTINE**

**WHEREAS**, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte, through Proclamation No. 922, has declared a State of Public Health Emergency Throughout the Philippines due to the presence of COVID-19;

**WHEREAS**, on 12 March 2020, the Inter-Agency Task Force For The Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases has raised a Code Red Sub Level 2 due to continued transmission of COVID-19 within the local community;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the above declaration, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte has ordered a community quarantine in Metro Manila effective on 14 March 2020 until 15 April 2020, such that restriction shall be imposed on land, air, and sea travel to and from the National Capital Region;

**WHEREAS**, prior to the effectivity of the community quarantine, citizens from the National Capital Region have begun their exodus towards the neighboring regions, Baguio City included;

**WHEREAS**, in furtherance of the General Welfare Clause as enshrined in Section 16 of the Local Government Code and Section 2 of Proclamation No. 922, additional safety precautions must be implemented to reinforce those actions already being taken by the city government to prevent community transmission of COVID-19 within the city;

**WHEREAS**, in view of the number of persons who may and shall be entering the City of Baguio in the coming days, there is a necessity to set up checkpoints in all access routes to ensure the safety and security of persons sojourning within Baguio, residents and visitors alike;

**NOW THEREFORE, I, BENJAMIN B. MAGALONG, City Mayor**, by the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

**SECTION 1. DECLARING THAT BAGUIO CITY BE PUT IN A STATE OF COMMUNITY QUARANTINE.** For the purposes stated in the preceding paragraphs, the City of Baguio is to observe a community quarantine, pursuant to guidelines set by Resolutions No. 11 and 12 of the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Infectious Disease. In the interest of public security and safety in light of the current State of Public Health Emergency, the following rules shall be in force:

- a. Only those persons with essential travel purpose, or employment/business in the city shall be allowed to enter;
- b. Per advise of the DOH and the HSO, the following persons are directed to remain in their homes at all times for being at high risk to the effects of COVID 19, to wit:
  - a. Those over the age of Sixty (60) years old and above;



- b. Immunocompromised persons;
  - c. Pregnant women;
  - d. Minors; and
  - e. Persons with history of pulmonary ailments or disease;
- e. Movement of all residents and persons sojourning within the City of Baguio shall be restricted to their respective residences, save for when they need to leave for purpose of work or to access basic needs and medication, to seek medical aid and assistance, or to attend to urgent and necessary personal errands only;
- d. Non-essential social gatherings such as those held in bars, recreation centers, public parks, hospitality industry businesses, conference and function halls, and other similar venues are disallowed while this Executive Order is in effect;
- e. All business establishments are restricted from mass gatherings such as, but not limited to, general assemblies, large meetings, conferences, outdoor events that attract large crowds and non-essential work-related event;
- f. Religious institutions and religious groups are encouraged to defer their mass gatherings, or to find alternate methods of practice and worship such as online service, and other means that will not require the assembly of large crowds;
- g. Government offices shall continue to serve the public, but shall operate in accordance with Civil Service Memorandum No. 5, Series of 2020, which provides for alternative work arrangements and support mechanisms for government workers;
- h. Employers in the private sector are encouraged to utilize flexible work arrangements and work-from-home schedules for their employees, in furtherance of guidelines as issued by the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) or the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI);
- i. The suspension of classes in all levels for public and private school and other institutions of learning, as stated in Executive Order No. 60, Series of 2020, is extended until 15 April 2020, or until assessment by the COVID-19 Inter-Agency Task Force. Technical-Vocational Institutions, ESL schools, review centers, and tutorial centers shall also be covered hereby. School officials and administrators are encouraged to formulate alternative methods of learning for their students;
- j. Public Transport within the city shall not be hindered but must operate in compliance with the DOTR Sectoral Guidelines on Social Distancing and Community Quarantine;
- k. Cargo and supply deliveries to and from the city shall not be hindered, subject to the observance of strict sanitation methods and practices;

**SECTION 2. SET UP OF CHECKPOINTS ON MAJOR ENTRY POINTS TO BAGUIO CITY.** The HSO, with the assistance of the PNP-BCPO, and Naval and Army





Reserve Commands, shall maintain checkpoint stations on major entry points to Baguio City until 15 April 2020, or until further assessment of the COVID-19 Inter-Agency Task Force;

**SECTION 3. MANDATORY EXAMINATION AND SUBMISSION OF HEALTH DECLARATION FORMS FOR PERSONS ENTERING THE CITY OF BAGUIO.** All persons entering into the city on essential travel or functions must do the following:

- a. Present proof of residency, employment, or necessity of business in Baguio City;
- b. Submit themselves to mandatory temperature screening, which shall be made available in all main access points in and out of Baguio City. Persons who refuse to submit themselves to temperature screening shall not be allowed to enter the city;
- c. Those persons who have registered a body temperature of 37.6 degrees and above, after undergoing validation tests, shall be directed to immediately report to the nearest government hospital for further examination, or isolation, if so necessary;
- d. Upon arrival at checkpoint, persons entering into the city must accomplish and submit Health Declaration Forms wherein they shall provide their names, addresses, contact numbers, purpose of entry to the city, and other information. Those travelling by bus must also register their bus name, bus plate number, and seat number so as to ensure efficient contact tracing, if necessary;

**SECTION 4. PRIVACY OF INFORMATION.** Any and all information collated in these checkpoints are only for the purpose of creating an organized and efficient method for contact tracing in cases of persons who are either under investigation, under monitoring, or who shall be placed under treatment for COVID-19, and in order to formulate immediate and efficient disease response and surveillance mechanisms;

**SECTION 5. RESTRICTIONS ON GOVERNMENT FACILITIES.** In order to avert non-essential gatherings, and to promote the practice of social distancing, the following facilities shall be subject to rules as stated herein for the duration of the term of this Community Quarantine:

- a. The following city administered facilities shall be closed: Burnham Children's Park, Dominican Hill & Heritage Park, Mines View Park, Wright Park, Baguio Convention Center, Baguio Botanical Garden, Baguio City Public Library, and other similar public places where people may converge for non-essential gatherings;
- b. All other Government facilities and offices, and their attached bureaus or annexes, shall remain open and shall operate in accordance with Section 1, paragraph b herein;

**SECTION 6. RESTRICTIONS ON PRIVATE FACILITIES.** For the reasons stated in the immediate preceding paragraph, the following facilities shall be subject to rules as stated herein for the duration of the term of the Community Quarantine:

- a. The following private establishments, whether within malls or not, shall be closed:
  - i. Bars, KTVs, cocktail lounges, and other similar establishments;
  - ii. Theaters halls and movie houses;



- iii. Schools, review centers, tutorial centers and other institutions of learning;
  - iv. Basketball courts, badminton courts, billiard halls, Small Town Lottery, Bingo Hall, gyms, swimming pools, and other similar recreation centers;
  - v. Spas, salons, massage parlors, and other similar establishments;
- b. The following private establishments, whether operating within malls or not, shall have limited operations:
- i. Groceries, stores, markets, supermarkets, and 24/7 convenience stores;
  - ii. Pharmacies, drug stores, and medical supply stores;
  - iii. Banks and other similar financial institutions;
  - iv. General Merchandise, Retail, and Hardware Stores;
  - v. Pawn shops;
  - vi. Internet shops;
  - vii. Medical clinics, diagnostic centers, medical laboratories, and dental clinics;
  - viii. Funeral homes;
  - ix. Hotels, condotels, motels, dormitories, and transient houses shall continue to operate, however, their attached restaurants or coffee shops shall cater to their clients only;
  - x. Receiving offices for utilities;
  - xi. Restaurants, eateries, cafes, coffee shops and other similar establishments may continue to operate for take-out and delivery orders only;
- c. All establishments allowed to remain open on limited operations shall exercise utmost hygiene and sanitation, and shall enforce strict social distancing, including the use of face masks, and such other advisories as prescribed by the DOH and HSO, and in furtherance of Executive Orders No. 32 and 59, both series of 2020. Social distancing, as referred to herein, shall mean avoiding social gatherings, maintaining a distance of one (1) meter radius between persons, refraining from physical contact, continuous disinfection of high-traffic and high-touch contact areas, and making sanitizers available to patrons;

**SECTION 7. CURFEW.** In addition to the curfew for minors as provided in Ordinance No. 23, Series of 2018, a curfew of for all persons in the city shall be implemented in the hours of 10:00 o'clock in the evening to 4:00 o'clock the next morning for the period of 16 March 2020 until 15 April 2020, or until further assessment by the COVID-19 Inter-Agency Task Force. The following persons, however, shall be exempt from the curfew, to wit:

- a. Those persons working in establishments or businesses with a work schedule within the curfew period, subject to the presentation of a valid employee's ID;
- b. Health workers;
- c. Members of the BHERTs;
- d. Authorized government officials;
- e. Persons providing basic goods, services, and utilities;
- f. Persons delivering food and medicine;
- g. Cargo and other logistic services;
- h. Members of the PNP, AFP, BFP, OCD, and EMS;
- i. Other persons as may be authorized by the COVID-19 Inter-Agency Task Force;

**SECTION 8. SELF QUARANTINE AND TREATMENT FOR PUI, PUM, AND PERSONS INFECTED WITH COVID-19.** Persons under investigation (PUI), Persons





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under Monitoring (PUM) shall undergo strict self-quarantine at home, under the supervision and advise of the BIHERTs in their respective barangays in furtherance of training guidelines from the DOH and HSO. Persons infected with COVID-19 shall be immediately placed at the city's isolation facilities, to be under the care of the DOH and HSO. Any person who refuses herewith may be held liable for violation of the provisions of Republic Act No. 11332 (The Law of Reporting of Communicable Disease), and other applicable laws under the Revised Penal Code of the Philippines. Any further guidelines, procedures, and mechanisms to be prescribed by Resolution of the COVID-19 Inter-Agency Task Force shall have suppletory effect hereto;

**SECTION 9. COMPLIANCE OF BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS AND OFFICES WITH THIS ORDER, AS WELL AS DTI ORDERS ON PRICES OF COMMODITIES.** Business establishments and offices are expected to give full and faithful compliance with the rules as stated herein. Failure to comply herewith may be held as a ground for revocation of their business permit. Owners of stores, markets, supermarkets, groceries, and other similar retailers of basic goods, pharmacies, and drug stores are strongly reminded to comply with the DTI advisory on price freeze for basic commodities while the country is under a State of Public Health Emergency.

**SECTION 10. ENFORCEMENT AND ASSISTANCE.** The HSO, CDRMC, Permits and Licensing Division, PNP, and the BCPO are empowered to ensure that the implementation of this Order is carried out with utmost consideration for the order, safety, and security of all persons involved;

**SECTION 10. DISSEMINATION OF THIS ORDER.** The City Public Information Office under the City Mayor's Office and the HSO are hereby directed to cause the widest dissemination of this order;

**SECTION 11. SUPPLETORY APPLICATION.** All other issuances of the DILG, DOH, the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Infectious Disease, and the local COVID-19 Inter-Agency Task Force shall have suppletory application to this Executive Order.

**SECTION 12. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** Should any provision of this Executive Order be declared invalid for any reason those parts not affected thereby shall remain valid and in full force and effect;

**SECTION 13. REPEALING CLAUSE.** All other issuances inconsistent herewith are deemed modified accordingly;

**SECTION 14. EFFECTIVITY.** This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon approval hereof, and shall be effective until 15 April 2020, or upon assessment by the COVID-19 Inter-Agency Task Force.

Issued this 16<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020 in Baguio City, Philippines.

  
**BENJAMIN B. MAGALONG**  
City Mayor